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45 INT. COURTROOM -- MONTHS LATER (DAY 7)

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Months later. We're back in the courtroom. The second trial has just ended. A DIFFERENT JURY FOREMAN rises.

~~SECOND TRIAL FOREMAN
We find the defendant... guilty of
murder in the second degree.~~

Once again, the COURTROOM erupts! At the DEFENSE TABLE: Gilday and Jackson Powell react, stunned. A UNIFORM BAILIFF immediately handcuffs Gilday, and leads him away.

SOME REPORTERS converge on Jackson Powell.

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REPORTERS

Mr. Powell! Are you surprised?
What went wrong? Are you going to
change the name of your book?

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JACKSON POWELL

(sharply)

~~No comment - excuse me -~~

Powell pushes through the crowd, toward the exit. He reaches Monk, Natalie, Stottlemeyer and Disher. He pauses.

MONK

It hurts, doesn't it?
(then)
You're going feel like quitting, but
don't.

Powell sighs, defeated, and walks away. The CROWDS follow him out.

Our foursome are the last to leave. They walk toward the EXIT as...

CAPT. STOTTEMEYER

(to Disher)

What's happening with your Little
Buddy, little buddy?

LT. DISHER

You mean Trevor? He's gonna get ten
months community service. I thought
I could get him a job at the station
house. He wouldn't just sit around.
He'd really be working.

"MONK" - Reporters

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